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RESPONSE

This letter is responsive to the Office Action issued February 15, 2006 on the above-identified application.

ELECTION/RESTRICTION

Applicant elects to prosecute in this application Group 1 method claims 1 - 6, reserving its right to file divisional applications on the remaining groups of claims.

Favourable consideration of claims 1-6 on their merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted, Russell, et al.

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